

HOUSE No. 836

By Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop, petition of Robert A. DeLeo and Kathi-Anne Reinstein for legislation to increase the statute of limitations for sexual crimes against children. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT INCREASING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATION FOR SEXUAL CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 63 of chapter 277, as appearing in the 2002 Official
2 Edition, is hereby amended by striking out the second sentence
3 and inserting in place thereof the following two sentences:—
4 An indictment for an offense set forth in sections 22 and 24 of
5 chapter 265, for the conspiracy to commit any of said offenses or
6 as an accessory thereto or any one or more of them may be found
7 and filed within 15 years of the date of commission of such
8 offense. An indictment for an offense set forth in sections 22A, 23
9 and 24B of said chapter 265, for the conspiracy to commit any of
10 said offenses or as an accessory thereto or any one or more of
11 them may be found and filed within 30 years of the date of com-
12 mission of such offense.